

LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE: **April 13, 2004**

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 7

CONSENT:

REGULAR: **X**

CLOSED SESSION:
(Confidential)

ACTION: **X**

INFORMATION:

ITEM TITLE: **Public Hearing Regarding The Reallocation Of Spot Blight Abatement Project Funds In The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.**

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the reallocation of \$125,000 from the Spot Blight Abatement project funded in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program to the Fifth Street Revitalization project.

SUMMARY: In Fiscal Year (FY) 2001-2002 and FY 2002-2003 CDBG Program funds were allocated to the Lynchburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority (LRHA) for the Spot Blight Abatement project. There are \$71,296 remaining in FY 2001-2002 and \$150,000 in FY 2002-2003. LRHA has requested that \$125,000 of these remaining project funds be redirected to the Fifth Street Revitalization project to acquire property along the Fifth Street corridor and for associated acquisition costs of previously-acquired properties. The acquisition of additional properties by LRHA will assist with the overall Community Development Corporation's Master Plan, when completed, for redevelopment of the Fifth Street Corridor.

Since there is more than \$5,000 being requested for reallocation and the scope will change from Spot Blight Acquisition of property to the Fifth Street Revitalization project, the CDBG Citizen Participation Plan requires that a public hearing be held.

PRIOR ACTION(S): April 6: Finance Committee approval (with Mr. Adams abstaining)

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

CONTACT(S): Rachel Flynn / 455-3902
Melva Walker / 455-3916

ATTACHMENT(S): Written request for reallocation of CDBG funds from the Lynchburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

REVIEWED BY: lkp

RESOLUTION

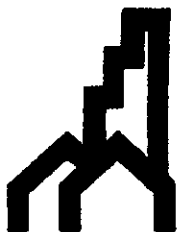
BE IT RESOLVED that \$125,000 of FY 2001-2002 and FY 2002-2003 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds be reallocated from the Spot Blight Acquisition project to the Fifth Street Revitalization project for acquisition of properties on Fifth Street and associated acquisition costs for previously-acquired properties with resources of \$71,296 from the FY 2001-02 Spot Blight Acquisition project and \$53,704 from FY 2002-03 Spot Blight Abatement project.

Adopted:

Certified:

Clerk of Council

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March 10, 2004

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Re: Re-Allocation of Spot Blight Funds

This is to follow up regarding the Authority's request to re-allocate \$125,000 of Spot Blight Abatement funds to the Fifth Street Revitalization Program. These funds would be used for the following:

- \$ 80,000 - acquisition of 408 Federal Street (car wash)
- \$ 2,500 - acquisition expenses
- \$ 3,200 - phase I environmental assessments for 408 Federal Street and 711-717 Fifth Street (Lawrence Market)
- \$ 39,300 - clean up, stabilization and maintenance of 408 Federal Street and 711-717 Fifth Street, boundary survey of 408 Federal Street, remediation costs that may result from the environmental assessments and other related costs

As of January 31, 2004, the Authority had \$ 71,296 in its 27th year (FY 2001-2002) Spot Blight Abatement budget and \$ 150,000 in its 28th year (FY 2002-2003) budget. The Authority would like to re-allocate all of the funds in the 27th year budget and draw from the 28th year for the remaining balance of \$ 53,704.

This property along with the other Fifth Street property in this block owned by the Authority will be redeveloped based on the revitalization plans created by the city and the Fifth Street Community Development Corporation. Development of these plans is underway and ongoing so a time line for the project has not been established yet.

Melva C. Walker
March 9, 2004
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Thank you for your assistance with this request and please let me know if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Connie J. Snavelly". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Connie J. Snavelly

cc: Sue Vest